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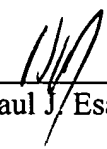
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4. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 10-051483, dated February 20, 1998;  
and
5. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 2000-20373, dated January 21, 2000.

The references were cited in a Japanese Office Action dated March 9, 2004, received from the Japanese Patent Office. Applicant is submitting copies of the above-cited references, together with an English translation of the Examiner's comments regarding the references from the Official Action. The relevance of the references is described in the Official Action.

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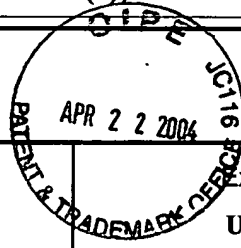
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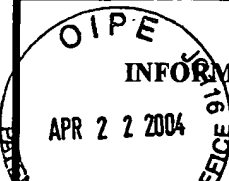
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